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CHORAL SOCIETY TO PRESENT MUSICAL SATIRE

The LC Choral Society will present "Let Us All Hang Out (Together)," a program of musical satire, in the Coolidge Auditorium at 11:45 a.m. on Thursday, June 22, and a repeat performance at 1 p.m. on Friday, June 23.

The chorus and soloists will sing a variety of songs about noise, crime, hippies, and girl and boy watchers, as well as several songs written especially for the program by Albert Cherry, the director of the society. The program setting will be an outdoor cafe.

All staff members are invited to attend.

CREATIVE WRITING CONFERENCE TO BE HELD JANUARY 29-30, 1973

A conference on the teaching of creative writing will be held by the Library of Congress January 29 and 30, 1973, under the auspices of the Gertrude Clarke Whitall Poetry and Literature Fund. Leading participants will be writer-directors of the seminars at Johns Hopkins, Professor Elliott Coleman; University of Iowa, Professor Paul Engle; Stanford University, Professor Wallace Stegner; and Breadloaf, Dr. John Ciardi. The Breadloaf Writers Conference, under Dr. Ciardi's direction since 1955, pioneered the summer conference for writers in the 1920's and has been a center for writers ever since. Professors Coleman, Engle, and Stegner established the academic prestige of writing as a graduate discipline at their respective universities in the early 1930's. Writers of great distinction who have attended these four institutions are expected to take part in the conference, and many writers, both teachers and students, who are identified with similarly prestigious programs in other institutions will be invited. The Consultant in Poetry at the Library of Congress, Josephine Jacobsen, will be in charge of the conference.

The two-day conference will include morning and afternoon symposia on Perspectives in Teaching Writing, The Writing of Poetry, The Writing of Prose Fiction, and The Writing of Prose Nonfiction. Two evening meetings will be devoted to readings by distinguished writers who have been identified with the teaching of writing. The public will be permitted to attend insofar as seats are available, but priority of seating will be reserved for accredited teacher-writers registered for the conference.

Writers, students, and teachers interested in receiving further information should address their requests to the Library's Poetry Office.

LC FILM CARD PROGRAM

Since 1952 the Library of Congress has been cataloging motion pictures and filmstrips and printing cards for these materials, using cataloging data supplied by producers and distributors. At the request of

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film libraries and audiovisual centers, the program has been expanded to cover sets of transparencies. (Individual slides and transparencies are not covered.) The first card to be printed for a set of slides will be a card for a set of 6 slides showing views of the Library of Congress, Main Building [see LC *Information Bulletin* December 23, 1971, p. 725]. Catalog entries for sets of slides and transparencies as well as for motion pictures and filmstrips are now being made a part of the machine-readable record, and it is anticipated that MARC tapes for films as well as printed cards will soon be made available to libraries and media centers.

CARD DIVISION RENOVATED

In July 1964 the Card Division was moved to Building 159 of the Navy Yard Annex to obtain urgently needed additional space for its operations and to alleviate crowding in the Library of Congress Annex Building. Before the move, the building was converted from a factory-type complex to an office-warehouse facility. Although lacking in the refinements and decor of traditional buildings on Capitol Hill, the new quarters were, at that time, large enough to house the division and sufficiently close to permit regular shuttle-bus service to and from principal Library buildings.

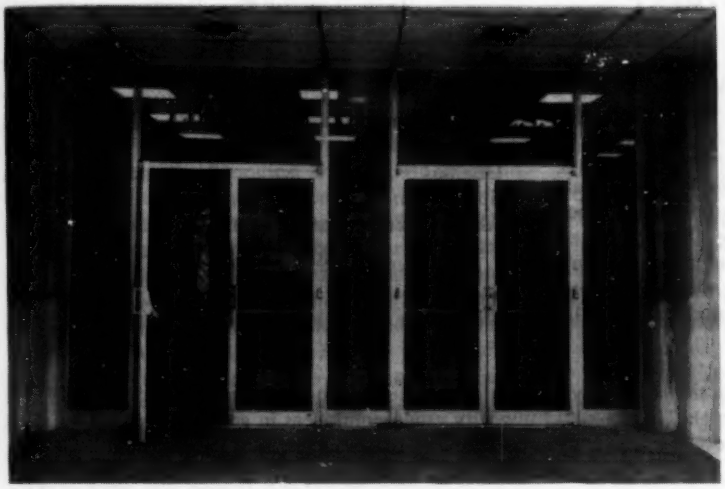
As the staff increased and the division's needs grew, additional space was made available in adjacent Building 159E in July 1970 and plans for improvement of both buildings were initiated. This effort was accelerated in 1971 when it became evident that space would not be available for the Card Division in the James Madison Memorial Building.

Before the division moved into Building 159E, the entire area was repainted and incidental repairs were made. When the main entry card catalog was moved into this building several new tables were built to provide for the increase in titles and reduce wear on the cards. Custom shelving was built along one entire wall to make the book catalogs more accessible and the series catalog and audio-visual catalog were moved into this area and expanded. The LC numerical card catalog and cameras for copyflo work were also transferred into this area.

The space which the catalogs had occupied in Building 159 is used by the Stock Unit, which now has more room for card stock. A new computer room was built to house additional equipment necessary for the Phase II computer-output packaging complex. This required elevation of the floor to match that of the Phase I area and installation of new and separate air conditioning, heating, and humidification equipment. An adjoining area was also constructed to house the film processor, presses, and output packaging system, and offices for the Assistant Chief for Operations, computer personnel, and programmers.

Walls were erected to form a main corridor and to partition the various areas of the Card Division. Since the Card Division lobby and the main lobby of Building 159 have been separated, the guard office has been relocated in the main lobby. The Card Division lobby walls have been covered with textured vinyl; the floor has been retiled in a black-and-white pattern; and new ceiling and lighting fixtures have been installed. Glass doors have been installed leading to the health services room, division office, and the main corridor of the division.

The main corridor was retiled in a black-and-white pattern and the walls were painted in two shades of blue. In addition to the double doors leading from the main corridor into the Card Division lobby, another set of double-glass doors has been installed leading into the east lobby. The standard water fountains in the hall have been replaced with new wall-



The seal of the Library of Congress and letters in gold and black on the doors to the remodeled entrance to the main lobby identify the Card Division.

hanging fountains. Two sets of electric-eye doors were installed in the rear of Building 159. Employee lounges have been completed in both buildings and both have been equipped with new furniture. Refreshment dispensers have been installed in the lounge in Building 159.

The division office, and reception and conference rooms have been wood paneled, carpeted, and redecorated. The conference room will comfortably seat 25 to 30 people. An 8-foot retractable screen has been installed for use in briefing of visitors to the Card Division.

All the old and unserviceable furniture in the division has been replaced either by new furniture or, in most cases, by wood and metal castoffs that were sent to Lorton Reformatory to be refurbished.

The administrative services facilities, which include the handling of all personnel activities, building management service, and supply functions, have been moved to the south end of Building 159. In this area, offices were constructed for the administrative personnel, supply supervisor, and section head. Additional rooms were built to process the incoming mail and the storage of the permanent financial records.

At the present time a survey is being made to correct problems in the heating and air conditioning systems. In addition, GSA has advised that a vestibule will be constructed leading into the main lobby of 159.

Major renovation on Building 159 is approximately 90 percent completed. It is expected that it will be finished by the end of June.

The improvements, renovations, and additions that have been made combine to make the Card Division a more comfortable and convenient building in which to work and a more suitable area in which to receive the present and prospective customers of the library card distribution service.

CARD DIVISION OFFERS TYPING CLASSES

In cooperation with the Personnel Office, the Card Division has begun the first of a planned series of typing classes to be offered at the Navy Yard Annex. Each class, limited to five students, will be filled according to the needs of the division and the proficiency of the applicants. To date, 52 staff members have indicated their interest in attending the classes.

Mrs. Johnnye Hunter, Assistant Head of the Customer Service Section, will instruct the classes. Typewriters, typing tables, and instruction booklets have been made available by the Placement Office. A new set of training aids consisting of work books, cassette tapes, and an instructor's guide will be used for these classes. The effectiveness of the new aids will be evaluated at the conclusion of the present series of classes.

LC MINORITY EMPLOYMENT

In May 1972 a statistical survey of minority employment in the Library of Congress for a Civil Service Commission report was completed. A comparison of this survey, shown below with the survey of November 29, 1971 (see LC *Information Bulletin,* January 27, p. 40), reveals that of the 111 individuals hired or promoted in the last six months 40.5 per cent are members of minority groups. Of the 41 hired or promoted in grades GS 5-8, 18 are minority group employees; of 22 in grades GS 9-11, 12 are minority; of 32 ingrades GS 12-13, 12 are minortiy; and of 13 in grades GS 14-15, 3 are minority.

Analysis of Full-Time Employment

May 28, 1972 — *All Pay Systems*

Category	*Number*	*Percent*
American Indian	0	0
Negro	1542	38.5
Oriental	97	2.4
Spanish Surnamed	44	1.1
All Other Employees	2327	58.0
Total Employees	4010	

Within the General Schedule and similar pay systems in grades 1 through 6, the number of employees in minority groups is 930 (64.4 percent). There are 443 minority group employees in grades 7 through 11 (29.4 percent), and 90 in grades 12 and above (11.1 percent). The following table gives a further breakdown.

Pay System General Schedule and Similar	*Full-Time Employees*	*Negro*	*Spanish Surnamed*	*Oriental*	*All Other Employees*
GS 1-4	596	432	1	1	162
		72.5%	0.2%	0.2%	27.1%
GS 5-8	1462	700	22	20	720
		47.9%	1.5%	1.4%	49.2%
GS 9-11	892	148	11	38	695
		16.6%	1.2%	4.3%	77.9%
GS 12-13	556	37	8	29	482
		6.7%	1.4%	5.2%	86.7%
GS 14-15	199	5	2	6	186
		2.5%	1.0%	3.0%	93.5%
GS 16-18	55	2	0	1	52
		3.6%		1.8%	94.6%

There are 240 employees paid under wage systems; 220 (91.7 percent) are minority-group employees.

STAFF NEWS

RETIREMENT

Charles F. Keyser, Analyst in Conservation and Natural Resources in the Environmental Policy Division of the Congressional Research Service, retired on June 11 after 45 years of service in the Library.

Born in Richmond, Mo., Mr. Keyser came to Washington at an early age with his family. He attended the District's Central High School, graduating in 1922, and continued his education at George Washington University, where he was awarded a bachelor's degree in economics in 1931. He also took postgraduate courses in economics at George Washington

from 1932 through 1934.

Before his appointment to the Library of Congress, Mr. Keyser worked for several years as Assistant Office Manager of the Washington Bureau of the Baltimore *Sun*. In 1927, he joined the Library staff in what was then the Periodical Division. He served in several positions in the division and when a Newspaper Reference Room was organized in 1939, Mr. Keyser was designated Reference Assistant-in-Charge. In 1944, he transferred from the Serials Division to the Legislative Reference Service as a Reference Librarian in the Congressional Reading Room, where he worked until 1947 when he was promoted to Analyst in Regional Economics and Economic Geography in the General Research Section.

Mr. Keyser was later assigned to the Natural Resource Section of the Economics Division and in 1959, when the section was reorganized, he became an original member of the newly created Natural Resources Division. In 1952, he moved to the position of Analyst in Conservation and Natural Resources, and in October 1969, he was assigned to the newly created Environmental Policy Division.

Mr. Keyser's knowledge of his field and his skill in meeting the informational requirements of the Congress are well known by his many friends and colleagues.

AWARDS

On Monday and Tuesday, May 22 and 23, William J. Welsh, Director of the Processing Department, presented Federal Service Award pins to three employees with a total of 105 years of Federal service.

The first award, honoring 35 years of federal service, was presented to **Russell Fauntroy** in Mr. Welsh's office on Monday morning. Mr. Fauntroy, a Publication and Proofsheet Clerk in the Card Division, joined the Library staff in December 1938. Before coming to the Library, he worked for the Resettlement Administration from July 1936 to June 1937, and was a member of the U.S. Capitol Maintenance Staff from April to December 1938. Except for a two-year period when he served in the Buildings and Grounds Division, all of Mr. Fauntroy's service has been in the Card Division where he has held positions of increasing responsibility. A native of Washington, D.C., Mr. Fauntroy is a graduate of Armstrong High School; he attended Fisk University in 1932-33.

On Monday afternoon, Mr. Welsh presented **Mrs. Glonlese Boswell**, Assistant Head of the National Union Catalog Control Section, Catalog Publication Division, with a 30-year Federal Service Award pin. Like Mr. Fauntroy, Mrs. Boswell is a native of Washington, D.C., where she received a B.S. degree from Miner Teachers College (now Wilson Teachers College). Before coming to the Card Division in January 1946, she served as a clerical assistant in the War Department. She held several positions in the Card Division before transferring, in August 1964, to the Union Catalog Division as Supervisor of the Searching Unit in the Post-1951 Imprints Section (which later became part of the Catalog Maintenance and Catalog Publication Division). She assumed her present position in March 1968.

On Tuesday morning, May 23, **Claire Gornell**, Documents Unit Supervisor in the English Language Section of the Descriptive Cataloging Division, received a 30-year Federal Service Award pin. A native of New York City, Miss Gornell received her bachelor's degree from Hunter College in 1936 and was employed in New York by Macfadden Publications until 1942. She came to Washington in that year to work for the War Production Board and was employed there until September 1945, when she joined the Library of Congress as a Cataloger in the Index Section of the Copyright Office. She joined the Book Section of the Copyright Cataloging Division in 1946, and transferred with it when the cataloging of copyright books moved to the Descriptive Cataloging Division in 1957. She was promoted to her present position in 1967.

STAFF ACTIVITIES

Twenty-one staff members of the **Catalog Publication Division** toured the Theodore R. McKeldin Library at the University of Maryland on May 18. Participants in the tour were welcomed by Mrs. Geraldine Love and Nathan N. Mendeloff, former Assistant Head of the National Union Catalog Publication Project at the Library of Congress, now with the Cataloging Department at the McKeldin Library. The tour began at the Readers' Service Section and proceeded to the Interlibrary Loan, the Cataloging and Serials, and the Acquisitions Sections, where a staff member outlined the functions of each section. The utilization of *The National Union Catalog*, which is prepared by the Catalog Publication Division, by staff members of the Library and by students, professors, and researchers was also explained.

Margaret Donahue, Assistant Director of Technical Services, welcomed the delegation from the Catalog Publication Division, and expressed her pleasure in having staff members from the Library of Congress visit the McKeldin Library at the University

of Maryland.

Catalog Publication Division staff members participating in the tour were Sarah Bartley, Mrs. Dorothy Bell, Mrs. Augusta Brogden, Mrs. Loretta Brooks, Mary Caple, Alfred Christensen, Mrs. Barbara Edgerton, Virginia Ezell, Virgie Harris, Mrs. Carmen Heywood, Dina Mayfield, Beverly Murphy, Mary Pinkney, Adam Powell, Mrs. Agnes Robertson, Beverly Ross, George Sullivan, Mrs. Barbara Swinton, Thelma Sykes, Robert Wallich, and Kay F. Wexler, Assistant Chief of the Division.

John C. Broderick, Assistant Chief of the Manuscript Division, is the author of the chapter on "Emerson, Thoreau, and Transcendentalism" in *American Literary Scholarship: An Annual/1970* (Durham, Duke University Press, 1972). This is the eighth in the series of annual reviews of scholarly publications concerning American literature.

Mr. Broderick is also the author of "Locating Major Resource Collections for Research in American Civilization" in the current issue of *American Studies: An International Newsletter* (Spring 1972).

John P. Hardt, Senior Specialist in the Congressional Research Service, is the coordinator and editor of a study entitled *People's Republic of China: An Economic Assessment* released last month by Senator William Proxmire, Chairman of the Joint Economic Committee. **Leo Orleans** of the Reference Department contributed a chapter on "China's Science and Technology: Continuity and Innovation" to the 382-page study, for which Mr. Hardt also prepared a summary, and which updates a 1967 release entitled *An Economic Profile of Mainland China.* As in the earlier study, there are contributions from the Department of Commerce, Department of State, Central Intelligence Agency, and others. *People's Republic of China* may be obtained from the Government Printing Office for $1.75.

George J. Leibowitz, Senior Specialist in Taxation and Fiscal Policy of the Congressional Research Service, was the Conference Chairman at the 1972 Briefing Conference on Federal Income Tax Law held in Washington on April 20 and 21.

"New Directions in Federal Income Tax Law" was the theme of the conference, which was sponsored by the Federal Bar Association and the Bureau of National Affairs, Inc.

Featured luncheon speakers at the FBA-BNA Conference were Laurence N. Woodworth, Chief of Staff of the Joint Committee on Internal Revenue Taxation, who spoke on the legislative scene, and Frederick W. Hickman, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Treasury for Tax Policy, who presented the Administration's view of tax reform.

During the general sessions of the two-day conference, leading spokesmen in the tax field, Government officials and practicing tax attorneys, presented an in-depth analysis of trends in investment credit and depreciation, taxation of foreign income, pensions and other deferred compensation plans, and tax-exempt organizations. Of the 27 speakers, about half were Government officials and half private tax practitioners and educators.

This was the 150th in a planned series of conferences sponsored by the Federal Bar Association, of which Mr. Leibowitz is Taxation Committee Chairman, and the Bureau of National Affairs.

An article on national library networks entitled "Library Networking: Progress in Library Cooperation" written by **John G. Lorenz**, Deputy Librarian of Congress, appears in the May 1972 issue of *Illinois Libraries.* The article reviews some of the Library of Congress information networks, including the National Program for Acquisitions and Cataloging (NPAC), the MARC (MAchine-Readable-Catalog) Distribution Service, the RECON Pilot Project which examined various aspects of converting retrospective catalog records to machine-readable form, the Format Recognition technique in which a computer assigns the content designators for bibliographic data, and MUMS (Multiple Use MARC System), a current project to devise a system designed to have the capability of processing machine-readable records regardless of their source or content.

The article also briefly describes the national networks developed by the National Library of Medicine and the National Agricultural Library, the production of book catalogs from machine-readable records by the Library of Congress, and the furthering of the network concept through state and national conferences.

Marlene C. McGuirl, Chief of the American-British Law Division of the Law Library, was elected President of the Women's Bar Association of the District of Columbia in the annual elections on May 18. In addition, on May 24, she was re-elected President of the Law Librarian's Society of Washington, D.C., for 1972-73.

The Women's Bar Association, founded in 1917 because the D.C. Bar Association would not admit women, has a membership of nearly 400 women lawyers. The Law Librarian's Society, composed of more than 300 members, includes many of the professional staff members of the Law Library.

The American Hellenic Educational Progressive Association, the leading Greek American national organization, has designated **George E. Perry**, Greek Area Specialist in the Slavic and Central European Division, as chairman of its American Revolution Bicentennial Committee. Two themes will be emphasized in AHEPA's Bicentennial program planning: the influence of Greek thought on the American Revolution, and the contribution of Greek Americans to the history and culture of the United States.

PERSONNEL CHANGES

Appointments: John C. Burt, analyst in science and technology, GS-12, CRS SPR, 2638; Gabriel J. Gorombey, subject cataloger, GS-9, Subj Cat, 2711; Edna F. Hayes, book preparation assistant, GS-3, Preserv, 2663; Ronald W. Johnson, decimal classification specialist, GS-9, Dec Class, 2644; Mrs. Cora M. Justice, clerk-typist, GS-3, Cat Publ, 500-10; Jean L. Orne, descriptive cataloger, GS-9, Desc Cat, 2601; Timothy Lee Schurtter, clerk, GS-4, Cop Serv, 2775.

Temporary Appointments: Robert Lee Amorosi, editorial assistant, GS-4, CRS GGR, 2721; Edward F. Bachman, preparation assistant, GT-5, Mss, NP; Joanna Katherine Brown, clerk-typist, GS-2, Mgmt, NP; Mrs. Kathleen M. Doddridge, technical information specialist, GS-5, CRS-C, 2732; Shirley Jean Linn, clerk-information receptionist, GS-4, Desc Cat, NP; Danny A. Lopez, clerk, GS-3, E&G, NP; Theresa D. Qualls, clerical assistant, GS-4, Proc, NP; Helene A. Rozanski, editorial clerk-typist, GS-4, NP.

Reappointments: Kevin P. Bonner, deck attendant, GS-3, S&R, 2-600; Leonard Hodges, library technician, GS-4, E&G, NP.

Promotions: Mrs. Bettye B. Blakeney, to MARC verifier, GS-8, MARC Ed, 2753; Lawrence O. Carter, to MARC verifier, GS-8, MARC Ed, 2753; Patrick J. Cronin, to assistant supervisor for accounting, GT-7, Photodup, 2781; Solon F. Fuller, III, CRS F, to packer, WG-4, Card, 2809; Daniel L. Hines, to MARC verifier, GS-8, MARC Ed, 2753; Mrs. Bonita E. Jordan, to MARC verifier, GS-8, MARC Ed, 2753; Timothy E. McKissick, to publications clerk, GS-3, Cop Cat, 2722; Randy Atwood Myers, to clerk-typist, GS-3, Cop Serv, 7-200; Carol Ann Sutherland, to clerk-typist, GS-3, Cop Serv, 7-200; Linda J. Tusing, to correspondence clerk, GS-3, Cop Exam, 5-200; Russell H. Williams, S&R, to studio engineer, GT-5, Mus, 2822; Deborah Lynn Wright, to clerk-typist, GS-3, Cop Ref, 4-200.

Temporary Promotion: John S. Merryman, to loan reference assistant, GS-7, Loan, NP.

Transfers: Mrs. Rita R. Horwitz, Desc Cat, to motion picture cataloging and processing librarian, GS-9, P&P, 2642; Ronald D. Miller, Cop Ref, to copyright examiner, GS-7, Cop Exam, 2686.

Resignations: Leland Brown, CRS; Clyde R. Casey, CS; Cheri Lynn Cherp, CRS D; Mrs. Donna J. Fortune, MARC Ed; Reginald D. Hall, S&R; Michael K. Haney, Cop Serv; Mrs. Margareta A. Jacobs, Desc Cat; Rita L. Jeffers, NUCPP; Olivia E. Lucas, Cat Mgmt; Quentin Newhouse, Jr., DBPH; Mrs. Tatiana Pinto, Subj Cat; Mrs. Kathleen Russell, Desc Cat; Sister Bernice Seger, Desc Cat; Mrs. Betty J. Simmons, Proc; Carol Ann Tome, Cop Cat; Mrs. Marilyn J. Weissman, Mss; Clyde L. Williams, Bldgs Mgmt; Richard F. Young, Restor.

In the LC *Information Bulletin* of June 2, the name of **Takeo Nichioka,** Shared Cataloging Division, was incorrectly included in the Transfers section of the Personnel Changes column. The editors regret the error.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The WRA Philatelic Club will sponsor a special meeting at noon on June 20 in the Whittall Pavilion. Boris Mandrovsky, former LC staff member, will present an illustrated lecture on the history of playing cards, drawing on his personal collections and those of the Prints and Photographs Division. Mr. Mandrovsky is currently preparing a catalog/classification scheme for the Library's collection. Members of the staff interested in this program are invited to attend.

Geraldine Albritton and Pfc. Earl Don Hunter were married on May 23 in Washington, D.C. Mrs. Hunter is a Library Technician in the Catalog Publication Division of the Processing Department, and Pfc. Hunter is serving with the U.S. Marine Corps.

Yuri K. Brown and Edward N. Van Duyne were married Friday, May 5, in Montgomery Co., Md. Mrs. Van Duyne is a Processing Assistant in the Shared Cataloging Division, and Mr. Van Duyne is an engineer with the Federal Aviation Agency.

LIBRARY OF CONGRESS PUBLICATIONS

Accessions List: Middle East. Vol. 10, No. 4. April 1972. (pp. 73-98.) Continuing subscriptions free to libraries upon request to the Acting Field Director, Library of Congress Office, U.S. Interests Section, Spanish Embassy, Cairo, Arab Republic of Egypt.

Library of Congress Publications in Print: March 1972. 1972. (vi, 4 p.) The 1972 revision of this catalog of Library publications was prepared by Judith R. Farley and Judith L. Richelieu of the Bibliography and Reference Correspondence Section of the General Reference and Bibliography Division and is available free upon request to the Library of Congress,

Central Services Division, Washington, D.C. 20540.

New Serial Titles–Classed Subject Arrangement. May 1972. (32 p.) Prepared under the sponsorship of the Joint Committee on the Union List of Serials and published monthly by the Library of Congress. For sale by the Card Division, Library of Congress, Building 159, Navy Yard Annex, Washington, D.C. 20541.

New Serial Titles: A Union List of Serials Commencing Publication after December 31, 1949. May 1972. (iv, 25 p.) Prepared under the sponsorship of the Joint Committee on the Union List of Serials. Supplement to the *Union List of Serials,* 3rd Edition. For sale by the Card Division.

Library of Congress Regulation: No. 212-9 (June 1) stated the current organization and functions of the Photoduplication Service, Administrative Department.

Special Announcements: No. 481 (May 31) announced the reopening of the Senate Stationery Room; no. 482 (June 1) advised Library staff members on the cost-of-living adjustment of annuities; no. 483 (June 6) gave the July 4 holiday schedule.

MDO DESIGNS AUTOMATED PROCESS INFORMATION FILE

The MARC Development Office, which has a number of technical processing projects either in the planning or implementation stages, has begun the design for automating the operations of the Process Information File. By recording individual titles that are on order or are being cataloged, the Process Information File serves the following functions: prevents duplication in acquisitions and original cataloging of the same work; locates a particular title so that its processing can be accelerated or so that it can be used immediately; locates in the collections a fully cataloged item not yet represented by a printed card; and records, before receipt of a title, that it is to be given priority handling and routed to a particular unit within the Library.

The file represents the thousands of items that are in process at any one time and involves the work of hundreds of staff members. The design work now in progress builds upon an analysis made during an earlier investigation of the potential of this project to the Library.

The automated Process Information File will be an on-line system designed as an application operating within the Multiple Use MARC System (MUMS), a software system designed to support bibliographic applications in both on-line and batch modes.

It is planned that the input to the Process Information File will include all languages; entries for non-roman alphabets will be in the form of skeletal records. As MARC expands to other languages, the bibliographic data in machine-readable form, as a result of placing a title under preliminary control in the Process Information File, will be updated to the completeness of a MARC record, thus capturing data at the source and eliminating duplicate keying.

MARC STUDIES USE OF DATA BASE

The MARC Development Office recently conducted a study on the "Effective Use of the MARC Data Base" describing the base as a bibliographic source to supplement the Library's card catalogs. The study reveals how searches can be made most effectively, given the Library's computer configuration and existing programs. In such searches, runs are made every six weeks producing listings of books in translation, conference proceedings, biographical works, books on Africa and Mainland China, and a number of others. Special searches produce listings of publishers, statistical breakdowns by country and date of publication, and so forth. The MARC study was made for internal use only, but may be made available for outside distribution at a later date when cost figures for computer use are developed.

NEWS IN THE LIBRARY WORLD

125 Scholars Attend Conference on Iberian History

The Society for Spanish and Portuguese Historical Studies held its third annual conference April 22-23 at Rutgers University, New Brunswick, N.J. Sponsored by Rutgers, the Hispanic Society of America of New York City, and Princeton University, the conference was attended by more than 125 scholars and other specialists interested in Iberian history.

The themes of five panel sessions presented during the two-day conference were "Social and Political Aspects of the Spanish Golden Age," "New Trends in Portuguese Social and Economic History: XVI to XVIII Centuries," "Basque and Galician Nationalism," "Contemporary Spanish Social Anthropology," and the final session on Sunday afternoon was devoted to miscellaneous topics concerning Spanish history. Of the 20 papers presented at the conference, five dealt with socioanthropological appraisals of

several themes in Spanish history and added a new dimension to historical studies on the Iberian Peninsula by way of parallel research in the social sciences.

On Saturday evening, April 22, conference participants attended a cocktail party and dinner given in their honor by the Continuing Education Center at Rutgers. The guest speaker was Antonio Dominguez Ortiz, noted author and scholar of the University of Madrid, who gave a lecture in Spanish entitled "Senores y Vasallos: El Regimen Senorial Español en el Siglo XVII" (Lords and Vassals: The Spanish Manorial System in the 17th Century). At the Society's business meeting which concluded the evening, David Ringrose of Rutgers University was elected General Secretary for 1972-1973. Donald F. Wisdom, Assistant Chief of the Library of Congress Serial Division, gave a progress report on the Spanish Newspaper project, noting especially the recent acquisitions of microfilms of *El Imparcial* of Madrid for the period 1870-May 1933 (see LC *Information Bulletin,* April 28, pp. 191-192). [*Earl J. Pariseau*]

Publications Exchange Conference Held in Vienna

The European Conference on the International Exchange of Publications was held in Vienna, Austria, April 24-29. Organized by the National Library of Austria (with the participation of Unesco, IFLA, and the Vereinigung Oesterreichischer Bibliothekare) to give exchange experts an opportunity to consider problems which had arisen since the 1960 meetings in Budapest, the conference drew participants from 23 countries. All meetings were held in the Palais Palffy.

Topics discussed included the relationships between interlibrary loan and the international exchange of publications, the role of exchange centers in the library system, the ratification of the Unesco exchange conventions of 1958, short surveys of European national exchange centers, the efficiency of collective consignments, methods of establishing the value of publications sent and received by international exchange, and proposals for a revision of the third edition of the Unesco *Handbook on International Exchange of Publications.*

In the portion of the program devoted to the exchange of publications with developing countries, papers were presented by the representatives of the British Museum, the Bibliothèque Nationale, the Bibliothèque Royale of Belgium, and by Nathan R. Einhorn, Chief of the Exchange and Gift Division, representing the Library of Congress, who spoke on the Library's experiences in exchanging publications with the countries of Latin America. [*Nathan R. Einhorn*]

Reports Presented to FLC at May 24 Meeting

Members of the Federal Library Committee (FLC), at a meeting on May 24, heard a report from Paul Vassallo, Director of the National Serials Data Program, and a summary by Frank Kurt Cylke, Chairman of the U.S. National Libraries Task Force on Cooperative Activities. Mr. Vassallo outlined the major objectives for the beginning of the new phase of the national libraries' cooperative serials program, the provision of a serials data base for the use of the three national libraries, the extension of the program to fulfill the needs of the national user community, and the international cooperative effort involving the assignment of the international standard serial numbers for U.S. serials.

Mr. Cylke discussed plans to broaden the U.S. National Libraries Task Force's program to cover general policy areas, including technical policies concerned with the acquisition and control of materials, standardization in statistical reporting, further cooperation in procurement, and the continuing concern about compatibility in library systems and network developments.

Lucille Pendell Retires as Gallaudet Librarian

Lucille H. Pendell, who has served Gallaudet College as Librarian for 25 years, will retire at the end of June. A native of Oklahoma, she served as an archivist in the War Records Office of the National Archives in Washington, D.C. from 1943 to 1947, the year she was appointed librarian at Gallaudet. In addition to her position as college librarian, Mrs. Pendell has served as associate professor of library science and chairman of the Department of Library Science.

New Library School Dean Named at Syracuse

Robert S. Taylor, Director of the Library Center at Hampshire College, Amherst, Mass., has been appointed Dean of the Syracuse University School of Library Science, effective September 1.

From 1962 to 1967 Mr. Taylor was Director of the Center for Information Sciences at Lehigh University, Bethlehem, Pa., where he was also Associate Librarian and Head of the Division of Information Sciences in the Philosophy Department. In 1967 he joined Hampshire College, where he was responsible for the development of the Library Center which opened in 1970. Since 1969 he has also been Professor of Information Sciences and Vice Chairman of the Program on Language and Communication at Hampshire.

New Edition of Research Registry Published

A second edition of *Library and Information*

Science Today: An International Registry of Research and Innovation has been published by Science Associates International ($35). Similar in format to the first edition, LIST 1972 identifies 1,161 projects pursued by approximately 2,000 persons from the United States and 36 other countries.

The 519-page volume provides a broad view of current and ongoing research, development, and demonstration efforts. Entries arranged by subject, cover operations, materials, users, librarians/information scientists, and organizations. The six indexes include investigations, organization, geographical location, funding source, title, and subject/keyword.